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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 August 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19, 21-26 and 28-34 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 20 and 27 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19, 21-26, and 28-34 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 08 August 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-19,21-26, and 28-34 are presented for examination. Claims 20 and 27 have been cancelled.

Specification

2. Applicant is reminded of the proper language and format for an abstract of the disclosure.

The abstract should be in narrative form and generally limited to a single paragraph on a separate sheet within the range of 50 to 150 words. It is important that the abstract not exceed 150 words in length since the space provided for the abstract on the computer tape used by the printer is limited. The form and legal phraseology often used in patent claims, such as "means" and "said," should be avoided. The abstract should describe the disclosure sufficiently to assist readers in deciding whether there is a need for consulting the full patent text for details.

The language should be clear and concise and should not repeat information given in the title. It should avoid using phrases which can be implied, such as, "The disclosure concerns," "The disclosure defined by this invention," "The disclosure describes," etc.

3. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because the page contains text other than Abstract. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).
4. Claims 26, 28-34 objected to because of the following informalities: It is hard to understand whether claims are dependent, duplicate or independent. Appropriate correction and revision is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

6. Claims 1-19,21-26,28-34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Koppich et al. (6,636,329) (hereinafter Koppich).

7. As per claims 1 and 21, Koppich discloses a method and device of determining a configuration profile for an electronic document processing peripheral, the configuration profile representing a set of configuration parameters for the peripheral, a set of fixed values of the parameters defining a particular configuration of the peripheral (col 11, lines 16-44), said method comprising the steps of:

obtaining (504) a user identification data item (col 18, lines 33-44);
determining (506) user characteristics as a function of the user identification data item (print submission, col 11, lines 30-44);
determining (508), as a function of the user characteristics, a configuration profile applicable for configuring said peripheral (print submission from the remote internet site, col 11, lines 16-44).

8. As per claims 2 and 22, Koppich discloses implemented in a communication network that includes at least one client station, one server station, and at least one processing peripheral, in response to a request sent from a client station to the server station (col 4, lines 50-65 and col 11, lines 33-44), further comprising of:

obtaining (504) a peripheral identification data item, before said step of determining a configuration profile, such that a configuration profile applicable is then being determined (508) as a function of the user characteristics and the peripheral identification data item (print submission, col 11, lines 26-38, col 8, lines 63-67 and col 9, lines 1-3, printer configuration).

9. As per claim 3, Koppich discloses the user identification data item and the peripheral identification data item are extracted (504) from a request sent by a client station to the server station, the request being a document processing request or a request to obtain a configuration profile (col 11, lines 16-44).

10. As per claim 4, Koppich discloses the said steps of determining user characteristics and determining a configuration profile are accomplished by means of a database (44, 46) in which there are stored, associated together, peripheral data each representing an identity of a peripheral, user data representing user characteristics, and configuration data each representing a configuration profile (col 4, lines 50-65 and col 11, lines 33-44).

11. As per claim 5, Koppich discloses if required by the client station, updating (604, 606) a configuration of the peripheral in a context of the configuration profile applicable (col 5, lines 33-37).

6. As per claim 6, Koppich discloses receiving (500) from the client station a request for obtaining the configuration profile applicable (col 5, lines 33-37); determining and sending (508, 516) to the client station the configuration profile applicable (col 5, lines 33-48); and

receiving (600) from the client station the configuration profile applicable with parameter having a modified value (col 5, lines 33-48 and lines 9-20).

12. As per claim 7, Koppich discloses the user identification data item is a chain of characters identifying a user and a password entered by the user in order to connect the user to the client station (confidential data, col 15, lines 1-6).

13. As per claim 8, Koppich discloses the user characteristics indicate a level of service subscribed to by a user (subscriber, col 11, lines 34-37).

14. As per claim 9, Koppich discloses in that a level of service subscribed to by a user is defined according to a financial sum paid by a user (subscriber account number, col 11, lines 34-37).

15. As per claim 10, Koppich discloses the peripheral identification data item is a network address of the peripheral (destination printer address, col 7, lines 58-62).

16. As per claim 11, Koppich discloses the configuration data each represent a configuration profile indicate an electronic address of a computer object containing a configuration profile (secure protocol, col 14, lines 16-30).

17. As per claim 12, Koppich discloses in that the network is an Internet (col 13, lines 59-62).

18. As per claim 13, Koppich discloses the client station and server station communicate using an HTTP protocol (col 4, lines 60-65).

19. As per claim 14, Koppich discloses the electronic address of a computer object containing a configuration profile is an address of a uniform

resource locator (URL) type and the computer object is an object defined in an annotation language of an extended mark-up language (XML) type (col 7, lines 1-19).

20. As per claims 15 and 24, Koppich discloses generating and sending (400-410) to the server station a request to configure an electronic document processing peripheral, the request including a user identification data item and a peripheral identification data item (col 11, lines 1-38); receiving (412, 414) a configuration profile of the peripheral from the server station, in response to the configuration request (col 11, lines 1-38).

21. As per claim 16, Koppich discloses displaying (416) said configuration profile (browser, col 6, lines 55-58, col 5, lines 32-37); modifying (420, 422) a current configuration associated with the configuration profile (browser, col 6, lines 55-58, col 5, lines 32-37).

22. As per claim 16, Koppich discloses the peripheral configuration uses a peripheral driver, further comprising the step of, when the peripheral driver is stored in the server station: sending (434) to the server station the configuration profile containing the modified configuration (col 7, lines 23-

27).

23. As per claim 18, Koppich discloses the configuration of the peripheral uses a peripheral driver, further comprising the step of, when the peripheral driver of the peripheral is locally stored in the client station: using (426) the configuration profile for configuring the peripheral driver (col 9, lines 26-43).

24. As per claim 19, Koppich discloses electronic document processing peripheral, said method comprising determining a configuration profile in accordance with any one of claim 1 (col 11, lines 15-43).

25. As per claim 23, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claims 1-3, above.

26. As per claim 25, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 16, above. In addition Koppich discloses means for sending to the server station the configuration profile containing the modified configuration (col 5, lines 21-42).

27. As per claim 26, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 19, above.

28. As per claim 28, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 17, above.

29. As per claim 29, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 19, above.

30. As per claim 30, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 23, above. In addition, Koppich discloses a server station; a client station (col 4, lines 60-65).

31. As per claim 31, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 1, above.

32. As per claim 32, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 1, above.

33. As per claim 33, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 23, above.

34. As per claim 34, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as claim 23, above.

35. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure:

Conclusion

36. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure:

U.S. Patent 6,628,415 and 6,690,481 teaches remote printing based on the user profile.

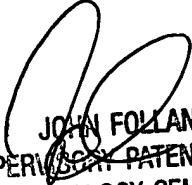
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mohammad A Siddiqi whose telephone number is (571) 272-3976. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday -Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John A Follansbee can be reached on (571) 272-

3964. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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